

What is claimed is:

1. An operating substance tank including an operating substance tank for a portable handheld work apparatus, the operating substance tank comprising:

5 a tank housing having a tank interior and including a first housing part; and, a second housing part connected to said first housing part and defining said tank interior conjointly therewith;

a filter wall configured as one piece with one of said first and second housing parts;

10 said filter wall partitioning said tank housing into at least first and second spaces; and,

said tank including a fill opening and an outflow connection through which said operating substance is drawn.

2. The tank of claim 1, said filter wall comprising a plurality of individual lamellae and each two mutually adjacent ones of said lamellae conjointly defining a gap; and, said plurality of individual lamellae extending from a wall of said first housing part.

3. The tank of claim 2, said first and second housing parts conjointly defining a partition plane and said lamellae ending in said partition plane.

4. The tank of claim 2, said lamellae being configured to be approximately S-shaped or Z-shaped when viewed in cross section.

5. The tank of claim 1, said first space including said fill

opening and said second space including said outflow connection.

6. The tank of claim 1, wherein one of said walls of said first housing part defines a plane extending into the interior thereof; and, said filter wall is mounted in said plane.

7. The tank of claim 1, said first and second housing parts having first and second partition surfaces, respectively, which conjointly define a partition interface; and, said tank further comprising a solid matter seal arranged at said partition interface; and, said first and second housing parts being connected to each other with said solid matter seal being disposed therebetween.

8. The tank of claim 1, wherein said first and second housing parts are made of plastic.

9. The tank of claim 8, wherein said first and second housing parts are made of fiber reinforced plastic.

10. An overhead branch cutter comprising:

a work apparatus including an apparatus housing;

a rod for operatively connecting said work apparatus to said drive motor assembly so as to permit said drive motor assembly to drive said work apparatus;

a tank for holding an operating substance;

said tank having a tank housing having a tank interior and including a first housing part; and, a second housing part connected to said first housing part and defining said tank interior conjointly therewith;

a filter wall configured as one piece with one of said first and second housing parts;

said filter wall partitioning said tank housing into at least first and second spaces;

15        said tank including a fill opening through which the operating substance is filled into the tank and an outflow connection through which said operating substance is drawn; and, said apparatus housing defining said second housing part.

11. The overhead branch cutter of claim 10, wherein said second housing part is an attachment flange of said work apparatus.

12. The overhead branch cutter of claim 10, wherein said tank is mounted on the side of said attachment flange lying opposite said work apparatus.